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TO AMEMBASSY LIMA PRIORITY  
INFO AMEMBASSY QUITO PRIORITY  
AMCONSUL RIO DE JANEIRO PRIORITY

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CASC(BISSELL, JANE)

SUBJECT: W/W JANE BISSELL

REF: RIO DE JANEIRO 439 (NOTAL)

, CONG. JEROME AMBRO INTERESTED.

2. USC, JANE BISSELL, HAS BEEN MISSING IN ECUADOR SINCE  
OCTOBER, 1976. HER AUSTRALIAN TRAVELLING COMPANION,

GERALDINE CROUCH, RECENTLY WROTE TO BISSELL'S PARENTS  
INFORMING THEM THAT SHE HAS NOT RPT NOT BEEN TO LIMA  
TO COLLECT A PACKAGE OF WINTER CLOTHING WHICH THE BISSELLS  
MAILED IN SEPTEMBER TO JANE, C/O GERALDINE CROUCH, C/O  
BRITISH EMBASSY, LIMA.

3. LIMA REQUESTED CHECK WITH BRITISH EMBASSY AND DETER-  
MINE WHETHER THERE IS A PACKAGE THERE ASDESCRIBED.

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IF NOT, DOES THE BRITISH EMBASSY HAVE ANY RECORD OF THE  
PACKAGE BEING COLLECTED AND IF SO, BY WHOM: ALTERNATIVELY  
IF THE PACKAGE HAS NOT BEEN COLLECTED HAS IT BEEN RE-  
TURNED TO THE SENDER OR OTHERWISE DISPOSED OF. IF THE  
PACKAGE IS STILL THERE PLEASE ASK THE BRITISH TO NOTIFY  
YOU IF ANYONE ATTEMPTS TO COLLECT IT. WE HAVE BEEN TRY-  
ING TO TRACK DOWN GERALDINE CROUCH SINCE MID OCTOBER TO

ASK HER ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS CONCERNING HER ACTIVITIES  
WITH JANE BISSELL IN ECUADOR PRIOR TO JANE'S DISAPPEARANCE.

4. INFORMATION CONTAINED IN CROUCH POSTCARD TO BISSELLS  
DIRECTLY CONTRADICTED BY INFO IN REFTEL IN WHICH  
AUSTRALIAN CONSUL IN RIO REPORTED TO AMCONSUL THAT TWO  
AUSTRALIAN GIRLS HAD MENTIONED TO HIM THAT THEY HAD LAST  
SEEN CROUCH IN LIMA, PERU ON NOVEMBER 11, AT WHICH TIME  
SHE WAS STAYING AT HOTEL EUROPA.

5. PLEASE CHECK WITH HOTEL EUROPA AS WELL AS  
PERUVIAN IMMIGRATION TO ATTEMPT DETERMINE (A) WHETHER  
CROUCH WAS IN LIMA AND, IF SO, WHEN, AND (B) WHERE SHE  
WAS GOING WHEN SHE LEFT.

6. FOR RIO DE JANEIRO: DEPARTMENT BELIEVES AUSTRALIAN  
OFFER TO CONVASS AUSTRALIAN OFFICES IN SOUTH AMERICA IS  
EXTREMELY HELPFUL. DEPARTMENT PLANNING INFORM ALL ARA  
POSTS OF REASON FOR WANTING TO SEE G. GROUCH IN EVENT  
THAT AUSTRALIAN EFFORTS BEAR FRUIT.  
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